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Reconsideration of this application, as amended, is respectfully requested.

RE: INTERVIEWS

The Examiner's cooperation in reviewing and discussing the rejected claims, proposed amendments to the rejected claims, and draft comments with respect to the cited reference in telephone interviews from September 12, 2006 to October 31, 2006, is respectfully acknowledged. No agreement was reached.

RE: THE ALLOWABLE SUBJECT MATTER

The Examiner's allowance of claims 6, 12-14, 16 and 19-21 is respectfully acknowledged.

Rejected claims 7, 8, 10, 11 and 15 have been canceled, and new claims 22-26 have been added.

New claim 22 corresponds to claim 19 depending from claim 12. New claim 23 corresponds to claim 20 depending from claim 6. New claim 24 corresponds to the "wherein" clause of claim 12 depending from claim 6. And new claims 25 and 26 correspond to claims 14 and 13, respectively, depending from claim 24.

No new matter has been added, and no new issues with respect to patentability have been raised.

Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that new claims 22-26, each of which depends from an allowed claim, be approved and entered and allowed along with allowed claims 6, 12-14, 16 and 19-21.

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Entry of this Amendment, allowance of the claims and the passing of this application to issue are respectfully solicited.

If the Examiner has any comments, questions, objections or recommendations, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the telephone number given below for prompt action.

Respectfully submitted,

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